--- “Series of 1880” - Type III - Division “Open” - [A 6] - 3rd BABN Contract (1878-1886) ---

--- 1/20th pound - *lithographed* in BLACK on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove ---

--- perforated 12 - 135 x 15 mm. - 4 mm. blue controls - scanned at 100% scale ---

--- with rosette and [NOT MORE THAN *1/20*] ---

John McKay records that 1,203,000 *lithographed* “Not more than 1-20th, Black, Cigarettes” were ‘delivered’ under the **3rd BABN Contract** (1878-1886). Apparently he has grouped the 1/20th pound Type III black Division “Open” and Division “Specific” strips.

★**RC-9** - 1/20th pound, Division “Open” - [A 6], black, control **002014**, perforated 12, *lithographed* on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove paper

002001	RC-9	1/20th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked
002011★	RC-9	1/20th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked
002012	RC-9	1/20th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked
002014★	RC-9	1/20th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked
002023	RC-9	1/20th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked
002040	RC-9	1/20th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked
002067	RC-9	1/20th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked

★**RC-9n**- 1/20th pound, Division “Open”- [A 6], black, *without* control numbering, perforated 12, *lithographed* on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove paper

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The collection ***does not contain*** a *control-numbered* copy of the perforated 1/20th pound Division “Open” *unwatermarked* strip. If this strip turns out to be on *vertical mesh* wove, it is simply a copy which has missed the sheet *block watermark*.

The collection ***does not contain*** a *control-free* copy of the perforated 1/20th pound Division “Open” *unwatermarked* strip. If this strip turns out to be on *vertical mesh* wove, it is simply a copy of which has missed the sheet *block watermark*.

The collection ***does not contain*** a *control-numbered* copy of the *imperforate* 1/20th pound Division “Open” *block watermarked* strip. I can see no legitimate reason for the *control-numbered* existence of *imperforate* strips. Perhaps they had been control numbered, prior to the perforation process, and are simply unfinished remnants.

The collection ***does not contain*** a *control-free* copy of the *imperforate* 1/20th pound Division “Open” *block watermarked* strip.

The collection ***does not contain*** a *control-free* copy of the *imperforate* 1/20th pound Division "Open" *unwatermarked* strip. If this strip is on vertical mesh wove, it is simply a copy which has missed the sheet *block watermark*.

The collection contains the following *control-free* copy of the *imperforate* (with minimal margins) on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove paper, which has probably been scissor-clipped from a copy of **RC-9n**.

★ 1/20th pound, Division "Open", [**A 6**], black, *without* control numbering, imperforate, *lithographed* on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove paper

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